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Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal Address to: MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Application Number	09/697,542
	Filing Date	October 26, 2000
	First Named Inventor	Kunisaburo Tomono
	Art Unit	1778
	Examiner Name	K. Bernatz
	Attorney Docket No.	M1071.1154/P1154

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

ii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iv. ☐ Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. _____

i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed

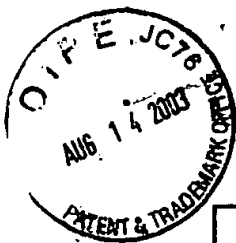
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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2003 <small>Effective 01/01/2003, Patent fees are subject to annual revision.</small>		Complete if Known	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Application Number	09/697,542
TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)		Filing Date	October 26, 2000
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FEE CALCULATION	
1. BASIC FILING FEE	
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Fee Code	Fee Code
Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001 750	2001 375
Utility filing fee	
1002 330	2002 165
Design filing fee	
1003 520	2003 260
Plant filing fee	
1004 750	2004 375
Reissue filing fee	
1005 160	2005 80
Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)	
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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE	
Total Claims	21
Independent Claims	2
Multiple Dependent	
Extra Claims	20
Fee from below	18.00
Fee Paid	18.00
SUBTOTAL (2) (\$)	
18.00	

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Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
Fee Description	Fee Paid
1202 18	2202 9
Claims in excess of 20	
1201 84	2201 42
Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203 280	2203 140
Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204 84	2204 42
** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205 18	2205 9
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18.00	

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